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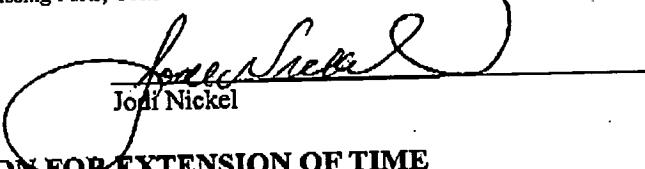
PATENT
Docket No.: P-11487.00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	Warren L. Starkebaum, et al.	Group Art Unit:	3736
Application No.:	10/699,207	Examiner:	(Not Yet Assigned)
Filed:	10/31/2003	Due Date:	04/03/2004
For:	Ablation Of Exterior Of Stomach To Treat Obesity		

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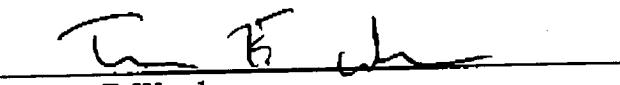
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 3-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed February 3, 2004. Please charge Deposit Account Number 13-2546 in the amount of \$950.00 for the 3-month extension fee.

Respectfully submitted,


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